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Nebraska consists of 93 counties. Two of those counties happen to be Lancaster County and Douglas County. And I just don't want it to be said or I don't want the impression to be out there is just because a project happens to be located in either Douglas or Lancaster County that it automatically is of no benefit to the rest of the state. So I guess I'd just urge my colleagues to look at this and look at these two projects as what they are and that as a benefit to the entire state of Nebraska, all 93 counties. And I would yield the rest of my time to Senator Beutler at this time to continue his discussion of building renewal funds.

SENATOR CUDABACK:      Senator Beutler, you have almost four minutes.

SENATOR BEUTLER:      Senator Cudaback, thank you, Senator Quandahl. For those of you who are interested, I hope you'll pick up again this document entitled "Funds for Building Renewal." We've gone down through line 5 and we've talked about two different funding streams--the cigarette tax and the General Funds pursuant to the LB 530 mechanism relating to existing buildings. And we have shown how the amount of money being put into this fund through that point in time is more than if the Governor had just said, yeah, put the 2 cents of cigarette tax in and we won't do anything else. He's doing more. Now take a look at what is just above, what is line 6 on this chart, and it starts to talk about LB 1100 depreciation charges. And by this time your eyes are probably blurring over and it's all getting kind of fuzzy; but I think an oversimplified but easy way to remember this is that LB 1100 applies to new buildings as opposed to existing buildings. And what we have done in our recent, in our very recent history is to start levying that depreciation charge against new buildings as well as levying a depreciation charge against those buildings that are existing. So then you will see also that this new building requirement involves the state colleges and it also involves the University of Nebraska so that we're spreading the depreciation charge web and encompassing more and more and more. Now look on line 7. You'll see that the Governor has, and will come out of Appropriations Committee, LB 666. And what LB 666 does is to add the Department of Corrections, all of the buildings under the Department of